Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is located in an area of the United States significantly affected by devastating storms, tornadoes, lightning, and floods; and,

Whereas, We are moving toward an annual weather season characterized by more violent weather systems in the area; and,

Whereas, It is necessary to alert South Dakota citizens to take action now to protect their lives and property; and,

Whereas, The state of South Dakota, Department of Public Safety, Office of Emergency Management, and the National Weather Service, in cooperation with other federal, local, and volunteer agencies, have joined together in sponsoring Severe Weather Preparedness Week:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 26-30, 2004, as

SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK

in South Dakota, and I urge the cooperation of the above mentioned agencies, together with the news media, in a concerted effort to inform our citizens concerning proper actions to take when severe weather conditions prevail.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State